COLLEGE APPLICATIONS GUIDE CLASS OF 2024

IF YOU ARE APPLYING TO A <u>CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY</u> (CSU)

The application period is Oct. 1-Nov. 30. No letters of recommendation or personal statement.

- 1. Log on to https://www2.calstate.edu/apply and create an account.
- 2. Complete the application with a-g courses by using your grades found on your unofficial transcript- available in PowerSchool.
- 3. Do not send an official transcript unless requested by a specific CSU campus via their portal after application submission.
- 4. FHS does not send test scores. If you list a CSU campus(es) as an SAT score report recipient, your scores will automatically be sent to all campuses to which you've applied. You can also use the CSU system wide institution code (3594) on Collegboard.com to ensure that all CSU campuses to which you apply receive your scores. **IF SUBMITTING YOUR SCORES, THIS IS NOT A REQUIREMENT.**
- 5. Submit application by 11/30.

IF YOU ARE APPLYING TO A **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA** (UC)

The application opens August 1. Submit the application Oct 1 -Nov. 30. No letters of recommendation. You must respond to 4 personal insight questions.

- 1. On the <u>UC Undergraduate Admissions</u> site, select the "Apply to UC" link.
- 2. Select apply online, then "Go directly to the application" to begin.
- 3. Complete the application with a-g courses by using your grades found on your unofficial transcript- available in PowerSchool.
- 4. Submit your application by 11/30. Do not send an official transcript unless requested by a specific UC campus.
- 5. Send your test scores directly to each school via <u>College Board</u> and/or <u>ACT</u>. Sending official SAT scores to one UC will share with all UC campuses to which you apply. **IF SUBMITTING YOUR SCORES, THIS IS NOT A REQUIREMENT.**

IF YOU ARE APPLYING TO A SCHOOL VIA THE COMMON APPLICATION

The application periods vary, so pay attention to each college's specific deadlines. Letters of recommendation AND counselor written evaluations are required for Common Application schools. You may take or have taken the SAT or ACT. In some cases SAT Subject Test(s) are also required or recommended. Tests may be OPTIONAL: check each college's requirements.

- 1. Create an account on **CommonApp.org** and select your college(s). Follow instructions EXACTLY.
- 2. Double check email addresses for your recommenders as you enter them.
- 3. Once you complete your Common Application(s), submit them online.
- 4. Complete the Letter of Rec (LOR) Packet. Located in google classroom and submit to google classroom.
- 5. All LOR requests must be requested personally. Ask your teacher for a recommendation and AFTER they agree, share/send your **Letter of Rec Packet** to each teacher from which you are requesting a letter. **Due October 5**th **2023.**
- 6. Your counselor will electronically attach a School Report, Written Counselor Evaluation (if required by school), Transcript, and a Mid Year Report to your Common Application. You do not need to submit a transcript request.
- 7. Send your test scores directly to each college via College Board and/or ACT. If required.

IF YOU ARE APPLYING TO NON-CSU, UC, OR COMMON APP SCHOOL

The application periods vary. Research each school's specific deadlines. You may need letters of Recommendation, ACT and/or SAT scores and other supplemental information/documents, check each college's application requirements.

- 1. Go to the Undergraduate Admission website of each college to which you intend to apply.
- 2. Follow the instructions carefully. Requirements vary, find out exactly what materials you need to complete for each application.
- 3. If the school requires letters of recommendation, follow steps 4 and 5 above (Common App).
- 4. Request official transcripts using Transcript Request Form on the Counseling webpage.
- 5. Send your test scores directly to each college/university via the <u>College Board</u> and/or <u>ACT</u> portal.